

## Adam Tells the Truth.

LIFE AND MINISTRY UPDATE FROM ADAM JESKE

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### Crying in Front of 100 New Coworkers

It was actually a good thing. This isn't normally the kind of thing that I experience (or share with everyone), but I had a pretty intense moment a couple weeks ago. InterVarsity got 100 staff members together to pray for a whole day at the beginning of the school year. That afternoon, we sat together, with people sharing about what they were thankful for.

I thought about the journey we'd taken over the past year--from an African seminary, to traveling to tell important stories to North Americans, from unemployment and questions, to my role with InterVarsity. I knew I was going to lose it, but I also knew I had to stand up. I spoke for a moment about that journey, and then I told how thankful I am for what InterVarsity is and does for college students. Tears (and a bit of snot) rolled down my face in front of my 100 new coworkers. What a way to start!

### Funded!

Today, I sat down and did something I was dreading. I had calculate how much money I still needed to raise for my first year of ministry. Some people have changed their plans, and I had made a couple accounting mistakes. I thought I'd be dropping back a couple thousand dollars.

In August, I'd raised 90% of the \$33,000 I needed for my first year of ministry. Today, I totalled up the figures--what's been received and what people plan to give over the next nine months. I pressed "Equals" on the calculator, and I couldn't believe the screen: "33000." Right to the cent, I'm set for my first year of service! Please click [here](#) to donate. Anything extra will go for my future ministry in 2011.



Ok, I was pretty happy when I took my team to visit colleagues at InterVarsity Press!

### Family Matters

Chrissy has been with the kids full-time this summer, with trips to the nearby pool, bike rides, fairs, and the library for stacks of books--treats we didn't often have in South Africa. Phoebe and Zeke are thriving as they re-enter North America, and in three weeks they start in a school a block away.

Chrissy is applying at the UW for a PhD to study international development and culture. And she's considering two more book projects, too!

### Thank you!

It's be great fun to come back to the US, see old friends, travel, and make new friends!

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### In prayer...

- Producing excellent work for excellent results.
- Making friends in our new eclectic Madison neighborhood.
- Helping start a brand new church here called The Vine.
- Finding a sustainable rhythm in our new city and roles.
- Guidance for book projects that are in the works.



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